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LOCAL NEWS.

W. E. Yates went over to the seaside on Friday last. Miss Flora Wilson is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Horning, of Toledo. Flour has raised in price 10 cents on the sack in the Corvallis market. Monday's train from the bay brought Professor and Mrs. Skelton home. Mrs. Ed. Duxton is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Sloan, of Forest Grove. Miss Sarah Jacobs is home again from an extended visit in San Francisco. Miss Rubie Gordon, of Roseburg, is a guest at the home of S. E. Trask, in this city. Prof. Parker, taxidermist and solicitor of the Philomath College was in town on Saturday. Prof. Fulton and wife returned from Elk City on Monday's train, after a couple of weeks of vacation. In the absence of Frank Irvine, of the Times at the sea coast, Harry Holgate is filling the editorial chair. Rev. W. B. Moore, pastor of the M. E. Church of Shedd, was in attendance at the conference held in this city on Sunday. Invitations are out for the wedding of Prof. Hayward and Miss Leon Louis, the event to transpire on the 6th of September. Willie Schmidt and his father came into Corvallis on Tuesday from Baker City. They will remain in Corvallis but a short time. Miss Addie Bristol, who has been teaching school in Eastern Oregon, is visiting her parents in this city. She will return to her school work in September. The Oregon Press Association which held its annual meeting at Astoria this week elected J. S. Stewart, of Fossil, president, and B. F. Irvine, of this city, vice-president. C. T. Golt, Fred Edwards and Horace McBride, graduates of the OAC and agents for the Chicago Portrait Company were in the city during the week, working in the interest of their business. New line of ladies' skirts just received at Kline's manufactured by the French Garment Company. Best values for good goods ever shown in Corvallis. Ladies are invited to inspect these goods. Invitations, just issued, announce the wedding of Miss Oreste Spangler and State Senator Leslie L. Porter, of Oregon City, at the residence of the bride's parents, September, 5th at 11 o'clock, a. m. The Home Supply Association of Portland can save you \$50 to \$100 a year on the goods you buy. Many of the best men in the county are members. For prices call or write to the agent at Corvallis, Mr. H. G. Cox. A bachelor contemporary gets off the following: "What is the difference between a honeymoon, a honeymoon and a pretty girl? A honeymoon is a small cell, a honeymoon is a big cell and a pretty girl is a damsel." At the Baptist church next Sunday the usual services will be held. Young people's meeting at 8, subject, "Missionary work in Cuba." A full size portrait of Diaz the persecuted missionary will be shown. All are most cordially invited. C. B. Wells is now engaged in harvesting in the vicinity of Dugay. A recent letter from his sons, Lee and Willie, who are in the Northwest Territory, British Columbia, states that they are delighted with the country and hopeful of the future. Mrs. L. Thornton came down from Corvallis Monday and has purchased the Yale restaurant property which she will conduct hereafter. Mrs. Thornton is an experienced caterer, and will strive to merit a share of the business by setting a first-class table and giving prompt and courteous treatment.—Oregon City Enterprise. An informal reception was given last Tuesday evening by the Rebekas at their hall to Mrs. E. Beach, whose term as presiding officer, expired last July. Barnum Lodge, I. O. O. F., took part in the festivities and a most enjoyable evening was passed. Mrs. Beach leaves shortly for an extended visit at her old home in New York state. The reception given by the ladies of the Relief Corps to the returned volunteers at their hall last Saturday evening, was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Besides the W. R. C. members of the G. A. R. and S. of V. together with invited friends took part in the reception, which, in the language of one of the guests was "one of the most enjoyable affairs the boys have attended."

Such patronage as that accorded "The Midnight Bell" at the opera house Wednesday evening is a poor encouragement to Manager Groves to bring first-class attractions to Corvallis. To be sure large audiences are not to be expected at this season, but an attraction having for its sponsor, Chas. H. Hoyt and presented by a player of Mr. Stockwell's reputation, should draw as many to the playhouse, at least as the aggregation of negroes whose street appearance was grotesque and whose exhibition was distressing.

Articles of incorporation of the Corvallis & Southern Railway Company have been filed. It is proposed to build and equip a first-class railway from Eugene to Coos Bay, and also from Corvallis to Eugene. The capital stock of this company has been placed at \$50,000. The railroad at present is a considerable distance in the air through there are interested people at the back of it, and it is hoped that the railroad will be a success as it will run through a vast area of rich farming country that is at present void of a railroad but that is in need of one. There is money in the goat and that humble creature may have a great future before him in this country yet. The department of agriculture has taken the goat up seriously, and says there is plenty of money in him as he is much harder than the sheep and can be grown at much less expense. Goat's flesh is pronounced superior to mutton, and eastern markets seek it eagerly. The Willamette Valley goat may soon be permitted to occupy a place of dignified respectability in the hustling world of commerce. Last Friday night the opera house was thronged with a crowd of people anxious to see the wonders and curiosities brought by the soldier boys from across the sea. It was a sight worth seeing and one would wonder how such a museum could have been gathered by such a few. The collection comprised the arms, equipments and paraphernalia of campaign life; then there were shells, ornaments, beads, cutlery, silken stuffs, images, cigarettes, cigars, moneys, and scores of things too numerous to mention, but they were well worth seeing and were highly enjoyed. While the climatic conditions have been such that the fruit crop will be considerably less in Oregon this year than for some time, the indications are such that it can be easily seen that there will be plenty for local use. There is one interesting fact which is very noticeable to the people of Oregon, and that is if there are unfavorable indications for fruit or other crops they at once get scared for fear of a falling of crops notwithstanding the fact that there was never known in this state anything like a half failure of crops, and with one or two exceptions we have even been exporters of fruits every year since the state became well settled and fruit raising became an industry. Superintendent Denman has just completed the grading of the papers of the applicants for the county graduate diplomas under the county classification. The examinations were held during July at different parts of the county and the following persons were successful: Mildred Rycraft, Ales; Cand Wansley and Elsie Kiger, Blodgett; James Chambers and Ernest Eddy, Kings Valley; Lucy Dilly, Elsie Matheny and Elmer Matheny, Wren; Robena Smith and Minnie Wyatt, District No. 13; and Ada E. Finley, District No. 24. At these examinations the superintendent prepares all questions and personally conducts the examinations. Miss Elsie Kiger and Miss Robena Smith obtained the highest general average, both having made an average of 85. These diplomas admit the holders into the first year of the OAC without further examinations. This is permitted through an understanding between President Gatch and Superintendent Denman.

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have stayed in Manila and faced the Filipinos than have encountered such doggerel.—The Dalles Chronicle. In order to secure the very best possible exhibit of grain and grasses at the next meeting of the Portland Industrial Exposition which opens September 26, continuing until October 26, the management of the Southern Pacific has decided to offer three premiums. First premium, \$100, second, \$70, third, \$30, to be given to the county making the best exhibit of grain and grasses from the states of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. Five cents a bundle will be paid for wheat, oats, alfalfa or other grasses. Fifty pounds of wheat, 25 of oats and 25 of grasses, 100 in all will be taken from each station. The bundles should be about 6 inches in diameter, cut full length and closely tied together in such a manner as to permit of handling without damage. Exhibits will be left at the store of S. L. Kline and should be in by Tuesday at the latest. As yet no work is being done or is in view of being done on the Monroe road above Corvallis, as a result of this, the only highway leading in and out of south Benton will be found next to impassable during the coming winter. Some apathy should be taken by the people who find it necessary to use the road to have it improved, such a movement would not only be a benefit to those who dwell in the south part of the county, but to all Benton. About the only way that the farmers in that district will be able to get in and out next winter will be by boat and this will be found a slow method of navigating. The value of South Benton farms would be increased 40 or 50 per cent by having a good road leading to them—a road that could be easily traveled during all times of the year. Such a road can only be secured by a great amount of money and labor, and this in turn can only be secured by a vast amount of patience and trouble on the part of those who are interested in the matter. If our Monroe road was improved the value of adjoining property would be greatly increased.

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A PHILOMATH TRAGEDY.

MRS. E. B. DUTCHER SUICIDES BY POISONING.

A Pathetic Story of a Cruel Husband and a Blighted and Miserable Home.

The peaceful, dreamy little town of Philomath had its usual quiet ruddy daylight last Saturday afternoon by a report brought in that a tragedy had occurred at the home of E. B. Dutcher, a recent arrival, and the evidence pointed to murder. Investigation brought out the fact that Mrs. Dutcher had died from poisoning and the circumstances surrounding the case demanded the attention of the coroner. Justice E. R. Bryson of this city, was summoned, and proceeded to the Dutcher home, four miles southwest of Philomath, where he empaneled the following jury: S. N. Wilkins, G. A. Robinson, H. N. Robinson, S. P. Smith, W. R. Dixon and A. Mann. The statements of the husband and other witnesses, brought out a pathetic story of domestic unhappiness, a home where father and mother had long since ceased to love and where respect for each other had dwindled into mere tolerance. There was no evidence, as has been published, to implicate the husband in the woman's taking off. That is no physical violence or mysterious methods, no act which would bring him within the grasp of the law. That his harsh treatment and cruel coldness are responsible for his wife's rash act is beyond question, and that she was in a measure responsible for her condition is also in evidence. On the stand Mr. Dutcher showed scant respect for his wife's memory, and his testimony shocked the spectators by its almost brutal coldness. Mrs. Dutcher, whom it appears had a most nervous disposition, had made repeated attempts upon her life, and at the time of her death was suffering from the effects of carbolic acid poisoning taken two days before. Dutcher testified that on the morning of the tragedy he had risen first, as usual and after lighting the fire, went about his chores. His work completed, he found breakfast prepared and on the table. A glass on the table gave evidence that his wife had eaten a raw egg, as was her custom since taking the carbolic acid, which had made her mouth extremely sore. While eating, he heard a peculiar noise in his wife's bedroom.

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